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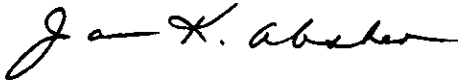
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Subject: Comments on HRA EIS

We support the DOE Preferred Alternative in the HRA EIS with the following amendments:

- * All public lands on the Wahluke Slope, the Hanford Reach and its islands, the McGee Ranch and Arid Lands Ecology Reserve should be designated as a National Wildlife Refuge (176,000 total acres).
- * There should be no grazing on the Hanford Nuclear Reservation.
- * Mining operations should be restricted to only those that are essential to completing clean-up and remediation of the Hanford Reach.
- * A separate Record of Decision (ROD) should be issued for all of the areas mentioned above. These areas are prime fish and wildlife habitat and should not have to wait for protection until the complex decisions involving clean-up in the remainder of the Hanford Site are made.

Sincerely,



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